MINUTES OF THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES & TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2004, 9:00 A.M. ROOM 403, STATE CAPITOL

Members Present: Sen. Sheldon Killpack, Chair

Sen. Dan Eastman Sen. Karen Hale Sen. Bill Hickman Sen. Peter C. Knudson Sen. Ed P. Mayne Sen. Carlene M. Walker

Sen. Cariene W. Warker

Members Excused: Sen. Howard A. Stephenson

Staff Present: Stewart E Smith, Policy Analyst

Karen Allred, Secretary

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Committee Chair Killpack called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

1. U.S. G.A.T.S. Trade Agreement -- Rep. Sheryl Allen

Rep. Allen explained the agreement and encouraged the committee to become informed about the agreement and to be alert to changes.

MOTION: Sen. Hale moved to recommend that leadership in both parties draft and send a letter to Ambassador Robert Zoellick, U.S. Trade Representative, regarding negotiations proceeding under the General Agreement on Trade on Services.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. H.B. 210 Law Enforcement Employee Background Checks (L. Pace)

Rep. Pace explained the bill.

Ken Wallentine, Chair, Utah Law Enforcement Legislation Committee, spoke in support of the bill.

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MOTION: Sen. Hickman moved to pass the bill out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Walker moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Killpack adjourned the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Sen. Sheldon L. Killpack, Committee Chair